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**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT
ORAL ARGUMENT NOTIFICATION**

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CASE No. 21-4634, **US v. Xavier Howell**
2:20-cr-00011-JAG-LRL-1

PLACE Lewis F. Powell, Jr., United States Courthouse
Room 222 (Attorney Registration)
Richmond, Virginia 23219

ENTRANCE **1000 Bank Street.** Please use this entrance to expedite security screening.
Please be aware that the Courthouse now opens at **7:30 AM** rather than at 7:00 AM during court week.
Wheelchair accessible entrance is at 1000 East Main Street.

DATE 05/05/2023

SESSION STARTING TIME 8:30 AM

CHECK-IN TIME 7:45-8:00 AM

ORAL ARGUMENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM TO BE FILED WITHIN 7 DAYS Arguing counsel must file the [ORAL ARGUMENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM](#) within 7 calendar days of service of this notification. (Click link to access form. ECF Event: **Oral Argument Acknowledgement.**)

COURTHOUSE INFORMATION

- Counsel should consult the court's current COVID-19 announcements at [Fourth Circuit COVID-19 Announcements \(uscourts.gov\)](#) before appearing for oral argument.
- Picture ID is required.
- No food, water, other beverages, or potential weapons allowed.
- Electronic devices permitted for counsel and their staff. Devices must be turned off in the courtroom, unless being used by counsel (in silent mode) during presentation of argument.
- For hearing assistance or other access accommodations, call 804-916-2714.

- Directions, hotel, and parking information are available at www.ca4.uscourts.gov/oral-argument/visiting-the-court.

CJA CASES

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ARGUMENT TIME

Each side is normally allowed 20 minutes; if more than one attorney is arguing per side, they must agree on how the time is to be divided. In social security, black lung, and labor cases in which the issue is whether the agency's decision is supported by substantial evidence, and in criminal cases in which the issue is application of the sentencing guidelines, each side is limited to 15 minutes. In en banc cases, each side receives 30 minutes. Appellants & cross-appellants may reserve up to 1/3 of the time for rebuttal.

**IDENTITY OF PANEL &
ORDER OF CASES**

The identity of the panel hearing a case is not disclosed until the morning of argument. The order of cases is subject to change until the morning of argument and is announced in the courtroom.

MOTIONS TO SEAL

Any motion to seal the courtroom for oral argument must be filed at least 5 days prior to argument and state whether opposing counsel consents to the motion.